### **New Jersey FFA Association**

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In Cooperation with New Jersey Department of Education

Details on events are made available to every teacher of agriculture at least one month before the event on the Ag Ed Bulletin Board: <a href="http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/events.htm">http://www.jerseyageducation.nj.gov/events.htm</a>. Due dates for applications are absolute. Applications must be postmarked by the date indicated or they will not be accepted. Participant List with payment by due dates is required. Applications, participant lists and announcements outlined in this calendar can be accessed through the State Activity Guide on the NJ Agricultural Education website. All participant lists should be sent to <a href="mag.ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us">ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us</a>. \*If a deadline falls on the weekend or a state holiday, the deadline is extended to the next business day. <a href="mag.ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us">Member of the Month applications must be physically in the office by 2:00 pm on the day of the state meeting (except January which must be physically in the office by 7:30 am the day of the meeting).

<b>2016</b>	
September	1
Thursday	

**September Member of the Month Applications due (5.001)** 

September 12 State Association Monthly Me

State Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm

September 15 Thursday Participant List for Leadership Experience and Development (LEAD) Conference due

Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference, and State Greenhand

Conference (6.000b)

September 16-18 Fri. - Sun. Eastern Regional FFA Career Development Events

Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA

September 23

Friday

Registration for Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference due

September 26 Monday **State FFA Executive Board Work Session**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

September 30

**Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference** 

Friday Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200

New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (following Ag Ed Conference)

September 30

**Star State Award Applications Due** 

Friday (Greenhand – 14.016a and Chapter – 14.016b)

September 30

Friday

**Program Affiliation Contracts Due** 

October 1 October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001) Saturday\*

Chapter Officer List due (1.004a)

CHAPTER OFFICER NAMES, ADDRESSES, EMAIL AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS

(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)

October 3

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

October 7-8 **Leadership Experience and Development Conference** 

Fri. – Sat. Chapter Officer Leadership Training, Leadership and Opportunities Conference & State Greenhand

Conference, Location: Crowne Plaza Monroe South Brunswick

October 10 State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor Board Room, 4:00 pm

October 11 State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Tuesday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Board Room, 6:00 pm

October 12 **State Alumni Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Wednesday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

October 15 Participant Lists for Fall Career Development Events due (7.000b)

Saturday\*

Oct. 19-22 89th National FFA Convention & Expo and National FFA Career Development Events

Wed. - Sat. Indianapolis, IN

November 1 **Membership Roster Due** 

Tuesday (REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER)

November 1 November Member of the Month Application due (5.001)

Tuesday

November 1 Participant Lists for 212° Conference due (9.003a)

Tuesday

November 7 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm

November 15 New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting

Tuesday Online Meeting, 5:00 pm

November 17 Fall Career Development Events, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences

Thursday 9:30 am -1:30 pm 1. Land Judging

2. Milk Quality and Products

3. Turf Management

4. Fruits and Vegetables Identification

November 21 State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

Nov. 29 – Dec. 3 National Association of Agricultural Educators Convention

Tues. - Sat. Las Vegas, NV

December 1 December Member of the Month Application due (5.001)

Thursday

Program of Activities due (1.004b)

(REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS)

December 5 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm

December 10 **212° Conference** 

Saturday Rutgers University, Cook Campus Student Center 8:30 am – 7:30 pm

2016-2017 N.I FFA State Association Calendar of Events December 14 State Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm Wednesday State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture December 19 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm Monday **2017** January Member of the Month Application due (5.001) January 1 Sunday\* January 9 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 9:00am January 10 State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Tuesday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm January 15 Participant Lists for State Officer Candidate School due (9.004a) Sunday\* January 17 New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting Tuesday Online Meeting, 5:00 pm January 23 State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

Monday

State Officer Candidates' School, NJ Dept. of Agriculture January 28

Saturday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

(Snow date: February 4)

February 1 February Member of the Month Application due (5.001) Wednesday

Participant List for Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event due (2.001a)

Chapter Nominations for Honorary State Degree and Distinguished Service Award due to State Office (Honorary – 14.019 and Distinguished – 14.018)

February 2 **State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop** 

Thursday Rutgers EcoComplex - 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200

February 6 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

February 7-9 New Jersey Agricultural Convention & Trade Show and Annual State Agricultural Convention

Tuesday - Thur. Harrah's Waterfront Conference Center, Atlantic City, NJ

February 8 New Jersey Ag Ed Advisory Council Meeting (at State Ag Convention)

Wednesday Harrah's Waterfront, Atlantic City, NJ 1:30 pm

State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture February 13 Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

State Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture February 15

Wednesday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

February 15 Participant List for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition and Floral Design CDE due (13.003a)

(NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PARTICIPANT LISTS) Wednesday

February 18-25 National FFA Week - Chapter promotion of FFA

Sat. – Sat.

February 23 Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Day Event

Thursday Location TBA

February 23- 26 State Officer Fuel-Up Conference State Convention Planning

Thursday-Sunday North Wildwood, NJ

March 1 March Member of the Month application due (5.001) Wednesday

Participant List for Online Farm Business Management, Forestry, & Meat Evaluation CDEs due

(10.000a)

Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office

March 3 New Jersey Youth Institute – The World Food Prize

Friday Rutgers University, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

March 6 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

March 10 Floral Design Career Development Event

Friday Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550, 10:00 am

March 10-11 **NJ FFA Horticultural Expo** 

Fri. - Sat. Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550

March 14 New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting

Tuesday Online Meeting, 5:00 pm

March 15 Nominating Committee Application Due (14.004) Wednesday

State and American Degree Applications are due (State Degree – 14.007)

**Proficiency Award Applications Due** – available on www.ffa.org

Participant List for Spring Career Development Events due (13.001a)

March 20 State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday Webinar

March 21 Proficiency, American & State Degree Selection Committee

Tuesday NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm

March 29 Farm Business Management, Forestry & Meat Evaluation CDEs

Wednesday Administered Online (MyCAERT.com)

April 1 Applications are due for the following awards presented at the convention:

Saturday\* The following applications can also be found on the New Jersey FFA Website at

1. State FFA Scholarship Applications (14.008)

- 2. Advisor of the Year Application (14.009)
- 3. National Chapter Award Application Form I and Form II available on www.ffa.org
- 4. **Superior Chapter Application** (National Chapter Award Form I)
- 5. Most Improved Chapter Application (15.014)
- 6. **Member of the Year Application** (5.001)
- 7. **FFA Week Application** (15.013)

- 8. **Essay Event** (14.024) Four typewritten copies of essay need to be submitted.
- 9. WLC Scholarship Application (14.022)
- 10. Blue Jackets Bright Futures Application (14.010)
- 11. Princeton Agricultural Association Leadership Award (14.025)
- 12. 8,000 Hour Challenge/Outstanding Service Project Award (14.026)
- 13. National Convention Scholarship Application Due (14.021)
- 14. State Talent Application (14.027)
- 15. Hall of States (14.030)
- 16. Chapter Challenge (14.028)

### April 1 Saturday\*

Honorary American Degree for Teachers due to the State Office

Participant List for Livestock/Dairy Judging CDEs due (12.007b & 12.008b)

**April Member of the Month Application due (5.001)** 

### Agriscience Fair Participant List, Application, and Written Report due (16.001b)

(Please note -3 copies of the written report are due with the application) Only National Agriscience Fair participant list, application and report will be accepted!

# April 3 Monday

**State FFA Association Monthly Meeting,** NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

# April 7 Friday

Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for

State Convention/Career Development Events due for 88th State FFA Convention. Advisor Assurance Forms are due with Convention Participant List. Participant List for the events listed below are due and included on the participant list form.

- 1. 3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Speeches due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
  - Ten typewritten copies of speeches (with cover page to include Title of Speech, Contestant, Chapter and State, and Name of Event) due at State FFA Office on this date for distribution to judges. Those who do not submit 10 copies of their speech on time will not be registered to compete.
- 2. Demonstration (Ten copies of outline Due April 7<sup>th</sup>) (14.006)
- 3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest
- 4. Creed
- 5. Extemporaneous Public Speaking
- 6. Portable Exhibit (14.005)
- 7. Job Interview (14.017) (Job Interview materials due April 7<sup>th</sup>)

Ten copies of resume, cover letter and 3 letters of reference are due at State FFA Office on this date for distribution to judges. Those who do not submit 10 copies of their materials on time will not be registered to compete.

- Agricultural Issues Forum (10 copies of Portfolio due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
  Rules
- 9. Official Ceremonies (15.015)
- 10. FFA Quiz Bowl (15.016)
- 11. Artwork Competition (15.018)
- 12. Teach Agriculture Event (14.029) (10 copies of Lesson Plan due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 13. Marketing Plan CDE (12.022) (10 copies of written plan due)

April 11 State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Tuesday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

April 12 State Alumni Meeting and State Officer Retiring Address Workshop, NJ Dept.

Wednesday of Agriculture, 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor Auditorium, 5:00 pm

April 13 Applications Judged by State Awards Selection Committee, NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 1st floor,

Thursday Board Room. 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

April 17 State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Board Room, 4:00 pm

April 26 or May 3 Wednesday **Agriscience Fair,** Rutgers EcoComplex, 3:00 – 6:00 pm

April 27

**Spring Career Development Events** 

Thursday Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences

9:30 am -1:30 pm

1. Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems

2. Floriculture

3. Nursery/Landscape

4. Ag Sales

5. Environmental and Natural Resources

6. Veterinary Science

April/May-TBA

**State FFA Dairy Career Development Events** 

Saturday

Location TBA

May 1

May Member of the Month Application due (5.010)

Monday

**State Officer Applications Due (15.001)** 

May 1 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm

May 2

State FFA Food Science & Technology, Agronomy, Livestock Evaluation & Poultry Evaluation Career

Tuesday **Development Events** 

Eastern PA FFA Day, Lebanon, Pennsylvania

May 15 Monday **State FFA Executive Board Work Session**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

May 21-24

State officer set up and practice for state convention

Sun. - Wed.

May 24 New Jersey Ag Ed Council Meeting (at State FFA Convention)

Wednesday Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 1:00 pm

May 24

New Jersey Association of Agricultural Educators Meeting (at State FFA Convention)

Wednesday Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, 6:00 pm

May 24-26 **88<sup>th</sup> State FFA Convention** 

Wed. – Fri. Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ

\*Dates Subject to Change

Participant List required. Events to be held:

 3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Participant List and 10 copies of speech Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)

Demonstration (14.006) (Participant List and five copies of outline Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)

3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)

- 4. Creed (15.006) (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 5. Extemporaneous Public Speaking (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 6. Portable Exhibit (14.005) (Application Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 7. Job Interview (14.017) (Participant List and 10 copies of materials Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 8. Agricultural Issues Forum (10 copies of Portfolio Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 9. Official Ceremonies (15.015) (Participant List Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 10. Tractor Driving (15.002) (Participant List and Safety Assurance Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 11. Landscape Design (13.004) (Participant List due March 1<sup>st</sup>)
- 12. FFA Quiz Bowl (15.016)
- 13. Art Competition (15.018)
- 14. Teach Agriculture Event (14.029)
- 15. Hall of States Exhibit Event (14.030)
- 16. Marketing Plan (12.022) (Participant List and 10 copies of materials Due April 7<sup>th</sup>)

#### June 1 Participant List for Summer Career Development Events (12.003b) Thursday Horse Judging, Dairy Handlers & Tractor Driving (TBA)

### National Convention State Block Rooms Needed and CDE Declaration Forms due

June Member of the Month Application due (5.001) June 1 Thursday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. Of Agriculture June 5 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st Floor Auditorium, 4:00 pm Monday

June 10-11 State Officer Leadership Training Conference, sponsored by New Jersey FFA Alumni Rutgers EcoComplex 1200 Florence- Columbus Rd. Bordentown, NJ 08505-4200 Sat. - Sun.

June 14 State Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Wednesday

369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture June 19 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm Monday

16th Annual New Jersey FFA Alumni Golf Tournament June 27

Gambler Ridge Golf Course, 121 Burlington Path Road, Cream Ridge, NJ 08514, 1:00PM Tuesday

June 28-30 **BLAST Off** - State Officer Training Conference Wed. - Fri. Lamb House, Horse Park of New Jersey, Allentown, NJ

July 10 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, NJ, 1st floor Auditorium, 9 am

State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture July 11

Tuesday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

July 17 State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm Monday

July 18 **Tractor Driving Event** 

Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds Tuesday (tentative)

**Horse Judging Career Development Event** July 19

Wednesday Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds (tentative)

July 22 **Dairy Handlers' Career Development Event** 

Saturday Burlington County Farm Fair, Burlington County Fairgrounds (tentative)

July 24-29 **State Presidents' Conference,** Washington, D.C.

Mon. – Sat. (arrive on the 24<sup>th</sup> and leave on the 29<sup>th</sup>)

July 30 – August 3

National Leadership Conference for State Officers, Virginia

Sun.-Thurs.

August 1 National Convention Participant List, Room List, Advisor Statement of Assurances and Student Code

Tuesday of Conducts Due to State Office

August 3 -5 State Officer 360° Training, TBA

Thurs. - Sat.

August 7 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, NJ, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Auditorium, 9:00 am

August 9 **State Alumni Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Wednesday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

August 15 Big E Gate Passes & Parking Requests Due to Big E Coordinator

Tuesday 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089

August 15 Big E CDE & Star Participant List, Waivers and Event Materials Due to Big E Coordinator

Tuesday 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089

August 21 State FFA Executive Board Work Session, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday 369 South Warren & Market Street, Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 4:00 pm

### **Future National FFA Convention Dates:**



Indianapolis, IN Oct. 25-28, 2017 Oct. 24-27, 2018

#### FFA Mission Statement

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

#### **Definition of Agricultural Education for New Jersey**

"Agricultural Education prepares people for careers and professional leadership in production, processing, marketing, and distribution of agricultural products, and for related careers in plant and animal technology (including aquatic life), economics, education, mechanics and engineering, natural resources and environmental technology, politics and sociology, and international relations and trade."

### **Definition of Supervised Agricultural Experience - SAE**

"Planned, documented, practical activities conducted outside of the *classroom/laboratory instruction* time in which students develop and apply agricultural knowledge and skills." These experiences (Exploratory, Research/Experimentation and Analysis, Placement, and Ownership/Entrepreneurship) are individualized to meet the needs of a diverse student clientele, and they are supervised by teachers, employers, parents/guardians, and/or other adults who assist students in achieving their objectives.

# "The New Jersey FFA

Association is a resource and support organization that does not select, control or supervise local chapter or individual member activities except as expressly provided for in the state FFA constitution, bylaws or policies."